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Test Results for 15 Additional Residential Water Customers

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – 14 out of 15 of the water sample tests from the additional 15 residential water customers and the Community Center taken last week also show that their lead levels are well below EPA's compliance standards.

Out of the 15 additional homes tested, one residential water customer's samples in McLean, Virginia exceeded the EPA action level by four parts per billion. Because the protocol for testing that particular home was not consistent with standard lead testing protocols the Virginia State Department of Health has recommended that the City invalidate those results and retest the water in that particular home. The City has collected a new water sample from that residential water customer and expects results by the end of the week.

To ensure consistency and confidence in these results, we are still collecting samples from 50 additional residential water customers as well as from the 40 public and private schools in Fairfax County and the City that receive our water. We plan to get the Schools' results back by week's end and will announce those results to Council, the public and our regional partners. We expect that results from the 50 additional homes will be available by the end of next week.

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